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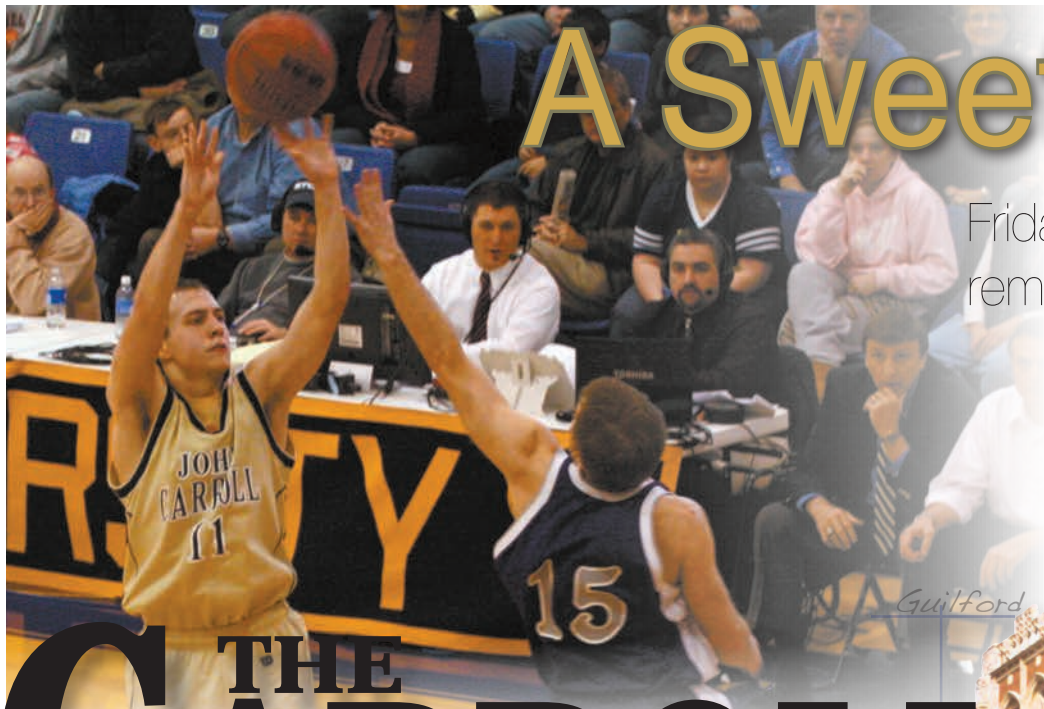
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A Sweet winning streak

Friday marked the end of one of the most remarkable seasons in JCU sports history, p. 13

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Faculty asked to take pay cut and increase class sizes

Katie Sheridan
Emily Gaffney
The Carroll News



I understand that many of you are angry, concerned and pained, and I am, too.”
The Rev. Robert Niehoff
JCU President

John Carroll University’s proposed cuts to faculty salaries will affect more than just the professors who receive a pay check. A decreased salary could tempt qualified faculty to search for more lucrative positions at other schools, and retaining less faculty on staff means larger class sizes. JCU President the Rev. Robert Niehoff addressed these concerns at a community meeting held Friday with faculty, staff and administrators. Niehoff made clear that he understood the contentious nature of salary cuts. He said frustration had culminated with two faculty members who tried to leak false information to local media outlets. “Two situations that concern me are that two members contacted The Plain Dealer and told them we [John Carroll University] were closing,” said Niehoff. The main point of frustration is the potential salary cuts. Faculty have recently seen the staff take a 3.85 percent salary cut. Unlike the staff, a faculty handbook ensures that no decisions will be made regarding salary without the consent of the faculty. The handbook states, “In no case shall the rank of a tenured faculty member be reduced, nor shall the salary of a tenured faculty member be reduced except as part of a general reduction of salaries to avoid reaching the point of financial exigency.” Chair of Faculty Council Matthew Berg said, “There have to be special circumstances under which faculty can be asked to take the salary cuts and it has to be discussed by the faculty.” Niehoff said, “I don’t see what we can do about faculty salary without more money.” Chris Roark, chair of the rank, tenure and salary committee, said the declining faculty salaries

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Dragged away

Drag show postponed because of Ignatian week

Jenny Friedman
Staff Reporter

The John Carroll University-sponsored Drag Show event set for Feb. 19 was postponed this year due to conflicts with Ignatian Heritage Week. The Office of Student Activities instructed the Student Union Programming Board to postpone the event due to the controversial nature of a drag show being held at a Jesuit institution during a spiritual week. “I think that it was very unfair to postpone the drag show,” said Ali Karolczak, Allies president. Ignatian Heritage Week was designed to invite students to reflect on the mission of the University “to excel in learning, leadership, and service in the region and in the world.” Meanwhile, the drag show, a collaborative effort between Allies and SUPB, serves to educate students about LGBTQA (Lesbian, Gay, Bisexual, Transgendered, Questioning and Allied), one of SUPB’s annual diversity endeavors. The idea of the drag show is to allow any willing JCU student to perform karaoke acts in drag. This year, SUPB was looking to hire a professional drag queen to be the emcee. In the past, the drag show has been well received by the JCU community as part of supporting Allies. However, Karolczak, was quick to point out, “Allies has often come across trouble with the John Carroll administration.”

Vice President for Student Affairs Mark McCarthy had his own concerns about the drag show that lead to its postponement. “Prior shows included professionals who led discussions, answered questions and addressed myths and stereotypes. This year’s event was to be sponsored by the SUPB, did not explicitly include these elements and was to feature current students in drag performing karaoke,” he said. McCarthy disagreed. He said, “Unless the context for a drag show is clearly articulated and includes an educational purpose, there is a distinct possibility that the show could result in the objectification of women and men as well as stereotyping of GLBT persons. [This would] contravene the core values of John Carroll, intentionally or unintentionally.” Karolczak said, “I respect SUPB and believe that they would have done a fine job of putting the show

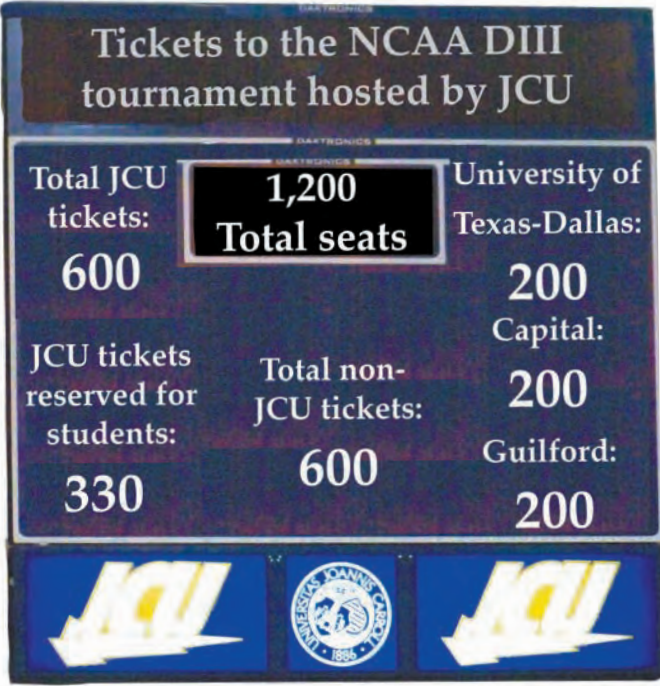
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NCAA game sold out

Tim Ertle
Sports Editor

As the John Carroll University men’s basketball team continued their run into the NCAA Division III basketball tournament, excitement around campus started to build. The excitement was so great that Assistant Athletic Director for External Operations Jane Evans said she was overwhelmed by the amount of ticket requests. “My e-mail inbox was full and we had problems with the telephones because the bulk of calls was so great,” she said. “I got hundreds upon hundreds of calls and e-mails that I didn’t even have time to personally get back to everyone yet, but I hope to.” The excitement, among some students at least, started to turn to frustration when many found out that they wouldn’t be able to attend the games held in the DeCarlo Varsity Center.

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Graphic by Max Flessner

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Carbon Monoxide scare at Carroll-sponsored tournament

High gas levels send 100 people to hospital during hockey game

Caitlin Huey-Burns
Campus Editor

High levels of carbon monoxide in the Gilmour Academy Ice Arena led to about 100 people being transported to area hospitals Saturday night during the John Carroll University-hosted Division I American Collegiate Hockey Association men’s national collegiate hockey championship.

The Gates Mills Fire Department was called to the scene after several people said they felt ill. The GMFD closed the facility after determining that there was a high level of carbon monoxide in the building.

According to Jenny Popis, communications manager for the Greater Cleveland Sports Commission, three factors caused the situation.

First, the ice grooming equipment was not functioning properly. Second, the ventilation system did not provide sufficient outside air.

Finally, team buses were parked and running in close proximity to the fresh air intake of the arena.

Games on Saturday featuring Kent State, Oklahoma, Lindenwood and Penn State were cancelled.

The GMFD worked through the night Saturday and into the morning on Sunday to test the building against further threats.

After the GMFD determined that there were no elevated levels of carbon monoxide and deemed the facility safe for patrons, the ice rink was reopened and tournaments games resumed on Sunday.

According to Popis, the scare was an unprecedented incident that she does not foresee occurring again.

The GMFD has continued to monitor the situation over the past few days.

Concert ticket sales move online

Emily Gaffney
Assistant Campus Editor

Tickets for John Carroll University’s annual Spring Concert will be sold online this year, a change implemented in an effort to accommodate the schedules and needs of more students.

In previous years, event tickets were generally only sold in-person during limited time frames.

Students who could not be at the location of ticket sales, usually in the Atrium of the Lombardo Student Center or outside of Einstein Bros. Bagels, during the specific time frame were unable to buy tickets.

“Previous ticketing methods were not very efficient or accurate in terms of maintaining a good attendance record and providing high quality customer service to ticket buyers,” said Spring Concert Chair Kristin DeGiorgi.

“I have been involved in tickets sales for Homecoming, Winter Formal and Spring Concert, and have heard a lot of feedback from students requesting longer hours for sales and multiple ticket sale locations. With this new ticketing system, all JCU students will have an equal opportunity to purchase tickets,” said Maura McCool, director of major events for the Student

Union Programming Board.

The new online process will allow students to purchase tickets at their own convenience.

Students will be able to buy tickets at any time of day as soon as the ticket pre-sale begins on March 23 at midnight. Students who purchase pre-sale tickets will buy them at a discounted price of \$15.

Starting March 30, ticket prices will rise to \$20 but will still be available online. On April 6, the general public can begin to purchase tickets for \$25. Students will only be able to purchase two tickets at discounted prices.

Tickets can also be purchased in-person during the first week of ticket sales.

Members of the Spring Concert Committee will have tables set up in the Atrium of the Lombardo Student Center and outside of Einstein Bros. Bagels from 11 a.m. to 1 p.m.

“Since the system is new, we decided that we would have people available at these times to allow for people to pay with cash or checks and for those who may have questions about the system,” said DeGiorgi.

This new online ticket system has been set up by University Tickets, a company that provides box office technologies and services to

universities.

University Tickets provides an Internet box office for a wide range of university events such as concerts, speakers, athletics, reunion events and theater performances.

Students will be able to purchase their tickets online through the Web site www.jcutickets.com.

Students must register an account on the Web site in order to buy a ticket.

Students must use their JCU e-mail when registering in order to have access to early ticket sales and to receive the student discount.

If students use any other e-mail account to register, the system will recognize them as a general public user.

Once registered, users will be able to purchase their ticket the same way as with any other ticketing Web site.

After students buy their tickets, whether online or on-campus, they will receive e-mail confirmation of their purchase. The e-mail will contain a link to print the ticket. Students can also visit the ticket Web site where they can view their ticket under “My Account.”

Students should be aware that the online ticket purchase will not appear as a JCU purchase on their credit card statement.

Ticket Details for Spring Concert

March 23: Student tickets are \$15

March 30: Student tickets are \$20

April 6: General public tickets are \$25

Rather, the purchase will show up as a purchase from New York, where University Tickets is based.

Students will not have to pay a service charge for use of the online process.

There is a one-time start-up fee of \$1,500, which will be funded by SUPB. After this initial fee, the only cost is the price per ticket.

According to DeGiorgi, this cost is similar to that of the previous method which required paper tickets to be printed.

“I feel that this change is great. Not only will this site be used for Spring Concert, but it can also be used for dances and other events,” said DeGiorgi.

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on. While it would have been an SUPB event, Allies was prepared to work with them to make sure that it would be educational and appropriate, while still fun.”

Student Union Vice President for Programming Carolyn Pici has been involved in the planning and implementation of this year’s drag show and understands the controversy.

“We did not want to take away from the specialness of Ignatian Heritage Week,” said Pici. “I’m sure they would have asked us to postpone any controversial event occurring during that week.”

Pici also mentioned that SUPB makes a strong effort every year to bring diverse events to JCU’s campus and student activities often encourages SUPB members to take part in diversity discussions and activities.

“I really hope that it still does get to take place at some point this semester,” said Karolczak.

SUPB is currently working with the OSA to reschedule the event for sometime in March or April.

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After junior Chris Zajac hit a last-second shot to knock off Carnegie Mellon University on Mar. 7, the Blue Streaks advanced to the sectional round of the tournament.

The way things turned out, JCU, Capital University, The University of Texas-Dallas and Guilford College were the four teams that were scheduled to meet.

Because the NCAA provides transportation for the competing teams, they try to minimize travel whenever possible.

The Blue Streaks had captured the Ohio Athletic Conference regular season and conference tournament titles so they had the clear-cut edge of Capital University of Columbus.

If the sectional was held in Dallas or Greensboro, N.C., the NCAA would be on the hook for airfare for three teams.

By hosting it in Ohio, less teams had to hop on a plane.

With JCU being the host team, they had the right to hold on to half of all tickets for the games.

The DeCarlo Varsity Center seats 1,200 people, so JCU received 600

tickets and the other three schools competing received 200 tickets each.

Of the 600 tickets that belonged to JCU, 330 tickets were set aside for current University students.

Director of Athletics and Recreation Laurie Massa said devoting more than half of the ticket allotment for students was more than is typically allowed.

“At the Division I institutions I’ve worked with, students are usually left with a much smaller ticket allotment,” she said.

Massa said Division I schools typically take care of their boosters and alumni first, and then give whatever, if anything, is left to the students.

She also said ticket requests from the JCU coaching staff and basketball team were attended to first, but not all were filled.

Tickets went on sale Wednesday at 11 a.m. and were sold out by 2 p.m. the same day.

JCU administrators expected Capital University to use all 200 of their tickets because of the more than manageable two-hour trip.

The other two schools, UT-Dallas and Guilford, had until noon on

Thursday, the day before the game, to return any unsold tickets.

Between those two schools, 176 tickets were left unsold and were returned to JCU.

Of the 176 tickets, the NCAA requires the host school to split the unsold tickets with any institutions that want them.

Thus, JCU and Capital each received 88 additional tickets. When it was all said and done, JCU had 688 tickets to Friday night’s Sweet Sixteen game against Guilford.

Some felt that because the game between JCU and Capital was the second game of the night, they should have completely cleared the gym after the first game, thus allowing more JCU supporters into the crowd.

Massa said that was an idea that was discussed leading up to the games, but in the end it was not feasible.

“It was something we thought about and discussed as a staff,” she said of clearing out the gym.

“There’s an approval process you have to go through. In the end, we decided there wasn’t enough time for us to clear out the gym in an efficient and safe manner.”

Campus Safety Log



February 24, 2009

A report of menacing was made at 12:40 p.m.

February 26, 2009

A theft was reported in Murphy Hall at 4:54 p.m.

February 26, 2009

The window of a common room was reported broken in Murphy Hall at 5:21 p.m.

February 28, 2009

A University Heights police officer requested an officer call him at 9:57 a.m.

March 2, 2009

There was a report of a person in possession of marijuana at 12:50 p.m.

March 6, 2009

A theft was reported at the campus police office at 11 a.m.

These incidents are taken from the files of Campus Safety Services, located in the lower level of the Lombardo Student Center. For more information contact x1615.

19	Thursday	20	Friday	21	Saturday	22	Sunday	23	Monday	24	Tuesday	25	Wednesday
Karaoke Night will be held in Kulas Auditorium at 11 p.m.		Stations of the Cross will be held in St. Francis Chapel at 4:30 p.m. “Clubbin at Carroll” will be held in Dolan Atrium at 10 p.m.		SUPB will sponsor a rock climbing trip off campus at a time and place to be announced later.		Fr. Cozzens will have a discussion on reconciliation at 7 p.m. at a location to be determined.		Daily Mass will be held in St. Francis Chapel at 12:05 p.m.		There will be an SUPB meeting in the Jardine Room at 9 p.m.		The JCU women’s softball team will play Notre Dame College today at 3:30 p.m. at home.	



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33rd Cleveland International Film Festival features more than 300 films

Artistic director shares two of his favorite films at this year’s festival

Rachel Szuch
Arts & Life Editor

With 143 feature films and 174 shorts playing over the course of ten days, the 33rd Cleveland International Film Festival is everything a movie lover could ask for.

The annual festival began in 1977 and has grown steadily since its original eight-film program. Last year’s festival brought in more than 52,000 people, despite the harsh winter weather. And this year brings several exciting new sidebars and honors.

The festival’s Artistic Director Bill Guentzler said the Academy of Motion Picture Arts and Sciences has honored the festival by making it a qualifying venue for two Oscar categories. “For our short films, we’re now a nominating festival, so the winners of our best live action and best animated short films can then be eligible next year for the Oscars – which is really cool,” said Guentzler.

In addition to this new aspect, two sidebars have been added to the program: Film is Art and The Sports Section. The festival’s regular sidebars include a section on empowering women, a “10%” sidebar that deals with gay, lesbian, bisexual and transgender themes, among other programs.

In his 11th year with the festival, Guentzler said, “There’s something for everybody at

the festival.”

As the artistic director, Guentzler has the final say in which feature films ultimately make it into the festival. Guentzler said two of his favorite films at this year’s festival are a French-Canadian narrative film called “It’s Not Me, I Swear” and a documentary film titled, “The Way We Get By.”

“It’s Not Me, I Swear” is set in 1968 Quebec and is about a 10-year-old boy who is unhappy with his home life and contemplates running away. His father is an activist lawyer who neglects his family and his mother is a free-spirited artist who is frustrated with her suburban life.

Guentzler’s other favorite film, “The Way We Get By,” tracks three retired military troop greeters from Maine who dedicate their lives to greeting the troops coming back from Iraq and Afghanistan.

Another aspect of this year’s festival that Guentzler feels will be of particular interest to college students are the midnight screenings held on both Fridays and Saturdays of the festival, which begins today.

The midnight screenings include several feature films and many short programs, which include six to ten short films that last roughly two hours, for the price of one ticket. “The short films are fun because you’re getting a mix of everything,” said Guentzler.



Photo courtesy of www.clevelandfilm.org

The French documentary ‘It’s Not Me, I Swear,’ plays March 20, 22 and 23.

The Cleveland International Film Festival will be held March 19 through March 29 at Tower City Cinemas, 230 West Huron Rd., Cleveland. Tickets are \$12 regularly and \$10 for students, seniors and Cleveland Film Society members. To order tickets by phone, call 1.877.304.3456 or order online at www.clevelandfilm.org.

Lent Fish Fry Friday Guide:

Photo courtesy of www.st-alphonsus.org



Whether you celebrate Lent or not, this time of year is known as Fish Fry Season. So, if you’re feeling fishy this Lenten season, check out these local Fish Frys.

St. Dominic Church
19000 Van Aken Blvd.,
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216.991.1444

From 5-8 p.m. on Fridays, through March 27. For \$10 you can get your choice of fried hoki, baked cod, basket of popcorn shrimp, crab cakes or cheese pizza. Baked potato or fries, slaw, roll, coffee, tea and dessert is included. Take out or dine in.

From 4:30-8 p.m. on Fridays, through April 10. All-you-can-eat whitefish for \$8.95. This includes fries or rice pilaf, slaw or applesauce, roll and butter. Greek salads, other seafood, desserts available. Live Greek music.

St. Constantine and Helen
Greek Orthodox Cathedral
3352 Mayfield Road, Cleveland Heights
216.932.3300

Boy Scout Troop 433,
St. Clare Church
5659 Mayfield Road, Lyndhurst
440.449.4242

From 5-7 p.m. on Friday’s, through April 3, a mere \$7.50 includes fish, pierogi or fries, slaw or applesauce, roll, dessert and coffee. Baked or fried fish, shrimp, and macaroni-and-cheese entrées are also available. Senior and child discounts are offered as well as the option of take out.

From 5-7 p.m. Fridays, through April 3, \$9 will get you two pieces of baked or fried fish, fries or cabbage-and-noodles, slaw, bread, and coffee. Half portions, shrimp, soups, soft drinks and takeout are available.

St. Margaret of Hungary Church
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New album goes up in flames

Latest CD by Flowers in Flames fails to spark emotion or interest

ALBUM REVIEW 'Flower in Flames'



Craig Willert
Asst. Arts & Life Editor

The only thing worse than listening to the 40-minute Flowers in Flames self titled album was sitting through an 8 a.m. class the morning after St. Patrick's Day, and that's being generous.

For those of you who aren't familiar with the "Ignatian Indifference," it tells us to go into each experience with an open mind, neither doubting the situation nor expecting good outcomes. It allows us to experience things with an open mind.

As a critic, I try my best to check all preconceived notions at the door, telling them, "Hey, preconceived notions, you're not welcome at this party."

Not only were they welcomed guests at this party, but they were the party. They helped me make it through the entirety of the CD, giving me ideas for this very critique along the way. This text is a testament of how my preconceived notions saved my life.



Album art by Elaine Terman

Now that that's out of the way let's get started.

Accompanying the CD was a letter explaining their type of music, claiming to be a mix of goth, post punk (whatever that is), and psychedelia. Can anyone please explain to me what that means? Is it like a mix between Nine Inch Nails, Scott Stapp and Earth, Wind and Fire?

Band member and songwriter Dave

Chavez said, "There are a lot of genres out there now in modern music, probably more so than there have ever been before. Modern music continues to evolve even today and we want to be part of that evolution."

True. However, I failed to see how this album represented anything close to the modern evolution.

Whether it was from the piercing sounds of the mix, which nearly caused me complete

deafness, or the fact I couldn't hear the lyrics because the music drowned it out, this album was done before it even started.

Flowers in Flames melody was putridly unattractive and would have even turned off Eliot Spitzer.

Combining the three genres made for a gut-wrenching listen with absolutely no consistency between songs, lyrics, melody, album art and the list keeps going.

It went from a song titled "All the Glitter," to a song about suicide. Unless these are songs about the recent history of the economy, I can't possibly find any hints of significant meaning in them.

What turned me and the Spitz off came down to the inability to understand, nay to hear, the lyrics and the ability to grasp what the band wanted to convey.

"We thought it would make an interesting mix of sounds compared to other bands that are more traditional," said Chavez. It is definitely interesting and something other bands haven't done before ... proving to be a good choice.

Additionally, the band's incapability to grab my attention from the start with a catchy melody or unique intro destroyed their ethos.

Understandably, Flowers in Flames didn't have access to the pro-audio equipment that artists like Savage Garden and Spin Doctors use; however, the editing and mixing of various beats still isn't something to write home about. Sorry, Mom.

Flowers in Flames not only missed the mark with this album, but they fired a dud. I'm thinking the next album would be better if Eliot Spitzer laid down a track or two.

Segel and Rudd show the love in new 'bromance'

MOVIE REVIEW 'I Love You, Man'



Craig Willert
Asst. Arts & Life Editor

Most guys will at some point in their lifetime be faced with the decision of choosing a best man.

Choosing which of your friends deserves to be your right hand man as you make the transition from the bachelor life to the old ball and chain could be difficult.

What if you don't have a best friend? This is the case for Peter Klaven, played by Paul Rudd, in the upcoming bromantic comedy "I Love You, Man."

Klaven has gone through life befriending only women and forming no long-lasting relationships with any men.

Now at the proudest moment

of his life, Klaven finds himself without a best man and deploys on a quest to find one.

He eventually crosses paths with Sydney Fife (Jason Segel), a lazy, so-called "financial" expert who lives in his "Man Cave" and listens to Rush.

His "dates" with Fife lead him to nights of beer and fish tacos, learning to release the inner man. The relationship between Klaven and Fife ends up causing multiple fights with Klaven's fiancé Zooney (Rashida Jones).

In "I Love You, Man", Rudd and Segel lived up to the raunchiness they displayed in a previous interview with The Carroll News.

The language that they used in the interview was synonymous with most of the dialogue in its crass humor and inappropriate conversation.

The whole plot behind the film was creative. Having to search for a best man a few weeks before the wedding granted access to possibilities to build up the movie.



Photo courtesy of www.celebritywonder.com

Jason Segel and Paul Rudd show off their 'bromance' in 'I Love You, Man,' opening March 20.

Adding to a long list of recent types of "bromantic" movies, "I Love You, Man" stretches the randomness in Klaven and Fife's encounters with the former Hulk, Lou Ferrigno, fencing practice and an absurdly obnoxious co-worker.

However, it seems as if these movies are competing for a race to the bottom of the absurdity pole, proving who can come up with the most ridiculous plots, characters and dialogue.

If you aren't one to suspend your

disbelief, then this movie may not be for you. The film's absurdities may turn many off.

One good part of the movie, besides the dialogue, was in fact the diverse realm of characters. Ranging from Klaven's brutally honest dad to Ferrigno, the characters make for a complementary cast who feed well off of each other.

Another positive aspect of this movie reverts to information given in the interview with The CN. During one scene, Rudd and Segel meet


each other for fish tacos and beer, leading to a night of drunkenness and bonding. The two did the whole scene with a minimal script and mostly improv.

All in all, "I Love You, Man" makes for a good amount of laughs and good times, offering a relief from daily burdens.

The film's crude humor is definitely for adult ears, and some humor may not register with those who are not familiar with this genre of impromptu "bromance."

Such and Szuch

Cobalt for sale!



Rachel Szuch
Arts & Life Editor

I have decided that my car is bad luck. I'm not sure what I did, but apparently my possessed, little Cobalt decided it hates me. I generally don't believe in luck, but after a total of five accidents in the past 15 months, I do. That's right, it isn't a typo – five accidents.

If all of them were my fault, I'd gladly take the blame. However, three, arguably four, of the incidents were completely out of my control.

The first accident occurred about six months after I bought the vehicle. I was on my way to class one December morning when I hit a patch of ice on I-480. Technically, this one was probably my fault; I can't control the weather, but I can control my reactions to it. And of course I reacted in the worst way possible.

As I felt the car sliding out of control on the slippery pavement, I decided to stomp on my brake pedal, sending my car into a tailspin. While I didn't hit any other vehicles, I did cause a considerable amount of damage to a guardrail (which the city of Maple Heights later billed me for).

Accident No. 2 was rather minor, but still upsetting. Last summer I came out to my vehicle to find a bright yellow scuff on the corner of my bumper – apparently someone had clipped my rear end and decided not to leave a note. I have yet to identify the culprit and while the yellow paint was able to be buffed out, several large scratches remain.

Not convinced that my car hates me? This past fall, during a wind storm, a brick just happened to come loose from the chimney on my neighbor's home – care to guess where it landed? Yes, even though my car was parked at least seven feet away, the brick still managed to land on it. Did it jump? I just don't get it.

At this point, I had decided that my car is simply attracted to trouble. Or perhaps it's the opposite; maybe trouble seeks out my car. Either way I was reaching the end of my rope.

With this track record, Thanksgiving Break would not have been complete without something unfortunate happening. A day after Turkey Day, I was stopped at a red light and wouldn't you know it, I was hit from behind. I began to think that there was a sign visible to all but me that read 'hit me' affixed to my car.

To make matters worse, the person who hit me decided that it would be a good idea to back up and speed off, which he would have realized was a bad idea if he had bothered to look around and notice that a police car was on the opposite side of the traffic light. The 17-year-old unlicensed, uninsured driver was caught about five minutes later, and the vehicle he hit me with did not belong to him – go figure.

Bear with me, there's just one more. As both Summer and Thanksgiving Breaks brought accidents, it would only stand to reason that Spring Break would hold the same fate. And it did.

Unfortunately, the damages were a bit more severe than the last few incidents, costing more than \$5,000 (thank God for insurance). So, the Chevy dealership decided that they'd need at least one to two weeks to repair everything. Living roughly 40 minutes away (and that's not accounting for traffic), it isn't exactly easy to be without a vehicle. So, my week was less than fabulous.

I've decided to put my car up for sale this summer. On the up side, just about every part of the car's body has been replaced. Anyone interested in a freshly painted, possessed Chevy Cobalt? I'll give you an excellent deal.

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'One Acts'

directors

promise

laughs

and

intensity

Jennifer Holton

Staff Reporter

With unexpected twists, creative plots and inventive themes, it's almost impossible to come up with a reason not to see "The Marinello One Acts," opening in the Marinello Little Theatre tonight.

"One Acts" will be presenting two new plays beginning with tonight's performance at 7:30 p.m. and running through March 22.

"The Marinello One Acts" have been active for 11 years, and this year they will include two plays, "Buck Fever" and "The Cloak." Both plays will be directed by John Carroll University students.

According to Karen Gygli, professor and supervisor of theater productions at JCU, this year's "One Acts" are comprised of two plays instead of the usual three.

"Both plays are in really good shape," said Gygli. "Students usually get very excited because these productions are student-run."

Holly Noffsinger, a senior at JCU, is directing "Buck Fever," written by Bill Bozzone and "The Cloak," written by Clifford Bax, will be directed by senior Georgia Michael.

Both students have already taken Directing for the Stage and Little Theatre Workshop courses in the Communications and Theatre Arts Department.

"My aim was to direct a comedy, which is why I chose 'Buck Fever,'" Noffsinger said. "I think it will definitely deliver some laughs."

"Buck Fever" features two men who go hunting and bring along their wives; however, things turn out terribly wrong for the characters.

'The Marinello One Acts'



March 19, 20 and 21 at 7:30 p.m. and March 22 at 2 p.m.

Tickets cost \$7 at the door and \$5 in advance

For ticket info Call 397.4191

(Left to right) Freshman Shannon Carroll and juniors Emma Taylor and Bridget Carey, play the three actors in 'The Marinello One Acts,' 'The Cloak.'

There are sexual references, guns and swearing involved as one thing leads to another in the twisted plot.

"It's aimed at a college crowd, and I think they'll find it funny," Noffsinger said.

"The Cloak's" three characters consist of spirits—an Angel, the Newly Dead, and the Unborn.

The play takes place halfway between Heaven and Earth, with the Angel bridging both worlds. This allows the audience to understand and appreciate why an unborn spirit of pure love and innocence would still have the desire to be born on Earth after hearing of its corruption and woe.

"I chose to direct 'The Cloak' because of the intensity it poses," Michael said. "It aims to ask questions like: What happens when we die? Where do we go? What does it mean to give up identity?"

"The play has inspired me and my cast, and we hope that it inspires others," Michael said. "We are very excited and hope that our audience members will appreciate the heavy material and go home with something to talk about."

Entertainment Calendar

Check out what's happening in Cleveland this week!

3.19

DJ Kekha

Grog Shop

8 p.m.

\$10

3.20

Less Than Jake

House of Blues

6 p.m.

\$18

3.21

The Party Stompers

Beachland Tavern

9 p.m.

\$5

3.22

For Today

Peabody's Downunder

6 p.m.

\$10

3.23

Badfish

Sublime Tribute

House of Blues

7 p.m.

\$13.50 - \$19.50

3.24

Eagles

Quicken Loans Arena

8 p.m.

\$68 - \$190

Three things you should know about this week:

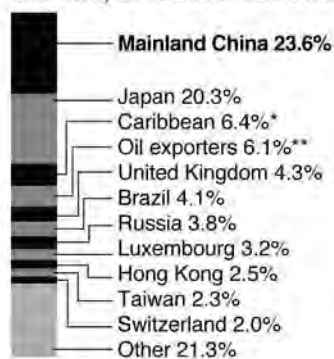
1. Strain in bilateral relations between the United States and China

China is worried about the security of U.S. treasuries. The communist nation said it will closely monitor the policies being put in place by the Obama administration. Chinese Premier Wen Jiabao communicated concerns on Friday about the safety of U.S. debts held by the country. Currently, China holds the world's largest foreign exchange reserves, which exceed \$1.964 trillion. Of that, a half to two-thirds is said to be in U.S. dollar assets. Wen called on the United States to make guarantees that will assure the liquidity and safety of the assets. What exactly these guarantees entail are uncertain, but Wen did call on the United States to spend responsibly and honor promises made to China and the world. President Barack Obama tried to ease Chinese concerns by declaring "absolute confidence" in the U.S. economy. He pointed to increases in investment flow to the United States during the economic recession. But to make matters worse, the United States and China came into conflict in the South China Sea. The confrontation ended with a U.S. vessel using a high-powered hose to ward off Chinese ships and avoid a collision. Pentagon officials maintain the U.S. surveillance vessel was being harassed by Chinese ships while operating in international waters, China argues the U.S. ship crossed international waters into Chinese territory in order to spy. However, the South China Sea is a complicated area because six nations, including the United States, lay claim to parts of the waters. In order to protect the surveillance ship, the Pentagon has dispatched a naval

Foreign debt

China is the largest foreign holder of U.S. debt.

Major foreign holders of U.S. debt, as of December 2008



* Includes Bahamas, Bermuda, Cayman Islands, Netherlands Antilles, Panama and British Virgin Islands.

** Includes Ecuador, Venezuela, Indonesia, Bahrain, Iran, Iraq, Kuwait, Oman, Qatar, Saudi Arabia, United Arab Emirates, Algeria, Gabon, Libya and Nigeria.

SOURCE: Department of Treasury AP



AP Image

President Barack Obama signs an executive order regarding stem cells on March 9 in the East Room of the White House, lifting a ban put in place by former President George W. Bush.

Obama funds embryonic stem cells

Sean Webster

Asst. World News Editor

President Barack Obama issued an executive order last Monday that will significantly increase the amount of federal funds given to embryonic stem cell researchers.

The order overturns a restriction on such research set by President George W. Bush in 2001, which limited funds to 21 pre-existing embryonic stem cell lines.

This restriction forced many scientists to use different lab equipment for privately-funded and government-funded research, which caused confusion and reduced collaboration among scientists.

Under the new rules, however, researchers will be able to use public funds to research hundreds of new stem cell lines.

Scientists believe this move will accelerate their understanding of basic biology, cell replacement therapy, drug testing and development and disease modeling, which may lead to better treatments – or even cures – for such conditions as diabetes, paralysis, heart disease, and Alzheimer's.

The order will also bring this research under the oversight of the National Institute of Health, the primary federal agency for conducting and supporting medical research.

According to Paul Lauritzen, John Carroll University's director of the applied ethics program, the NIH will establish a much-needed element of accountability in the industry.

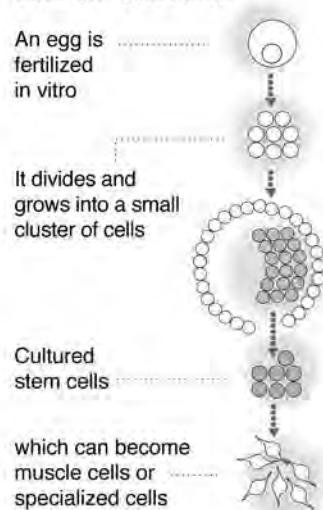
"I support federal funding of human embryonic stem cell research in part because such funding will provide some oversight. Right now, such research is conducted mostly by private companies with no real oversight. As one commentator put it, the current situation is like the Wild West – it's lawless and unpredictable," said Lauritzen, whose research in stem cells has received international recognition.

In addition to an increase in public funding, the industry may also experience an influx of private funds. Under the old rules, investors were hesitant to invest in embryonic

Stem cell policy overturned

President Barack Obama signed an executive order allowing an increase in federal dollars for embryonic stem cell research.

Stem cell cultivation



SOURCE: University of Wisconsin-Madison AP

stem cell research companies, fearing that federal regulations would tighten even further in the future.

Additional public and private funding will help create jobs. The new policy, however, faces a moral dilemma.

According to the NIH Web site, "embryonic stem cells are derived from embryos that develop from eggs that have been fertilized in vitro ... and then donated for research purposes ... They are not derived from eggs fertilized in a woman's body."

While an embryonic stem cell itself is not a human life, the Catholic Church considers embryonic stem cell research immoral.

As explained by Lauritzen, "When you remove the stem cells, you destroy the whole, which is considered a human life. Thus, embryonic stem cell research is wrong, because it requires the destruction of the whole embryo, which is considered a person."

Many proponents of this research defend it by arguing that most of the embryonic stem cells would otherwise end up discarded.

However, as Lauritzen said, "Even though the embryos in IVF [in vitro fertilization] clinics are frozen, they are considered human life by the Catholic Church. It was wrong to create the embryos through IVF, it was wrong to freeze them, and it would be wrong to thaw them with the intent to destroy them in order to derive stem cells."

As a result, the new policy has been met with strong opposition, particularly from members of the religious community and the Republican Party. However, Lauritzen said even policies under Bush failed to meet Catholic guidelines.

"The U.S. Conference of Catholic Bishops was opposed to President Bush's policy. The policy did not allow federal funds to be used to destroy embryos, but it did allow funding of research on stem cells that had already been destroyed before the policy was announced. It also allowed research in the private sphere to continue," he said.

Despite the Catholic Church's hard line against embryonic stem cell research, there are potential alternatives, such as research on adult stem cells and induced pluripotent cells, which are morally acceptable and offer similar medical advantages as embryonic stem cells.

"The Catholic Church supports adult stem cell research and it would support research that began with adult stem cells and somehow manages to coax them back to an embryonic-like state. It is appearing more and more likely that much of the promise of embryonic stem cell research may be available without destroying early embryos," said Lauritzen.

However, while research on adult and pluripotent cells is encouraging, such cells currently lack all of the medical possibilities that embryonic stem cells offer.

Furthermore, as Lauritzen said, "What we are currently able to do with adult stem cells probably would not have been possible had we not had the experience of working with embryonic stem cells. So this research builds on research that is considered wrong."

2. Republican governors refusing economic stimulus aid

Despite economic woes and skyrocketing unemployment, a few Republican governors are rejecting unemployment benefits extended to their states from the stimulus package. The charge is being led by Gov. Mark Sanford of South Carolina, who chairs the Republican Governors Association. Other governors include Rick Perry of Texas, Bobby Jindal of Louisiana, Haley Barbour of Mississippi and Bob Riley of Alabama. These governors are refusing to take the \$7 billion set aside for unemployment, and are considering refusing any additional funds the stimulus provides. Although many Democratic leaders are saying the move is purely political, the governors allege that taking the funds require states to abide by provisions that would ultimately raise taxes for businesses. Furthermore, they argue that it is difficult to take funds away once provided, which could end up hurting the long-term stability of the states. This would in turn make any states' problem of meeting unemployment benefits worse in the long-run, especially when the stimulus money runs out. Nevertheless, many governors are changing respective state laws, such as extending benefits to part-time workers, in order to receive the stimulus money.

3. Recession could waver at end of '09

In an interview on CBS's "60 Minutes," Federal Reserve Chairman Ben Bernanke said that the economic recession could see a turn around at the end of the year. With the proper steps, which include the difficult task of getting banks to lend more freely, he expressed hope that the U.S. economy could see a recovery. Due to measures taken by lawmakers and Congress, the economy has seen financial improvement, according to the chairman. Bernanke also believes the United States is past the possibility of plunging into a depression, but warned of dangers stemming from a lack of political will to solve the crisis. In addition, he said unemployment will continue to rise past 8.1 percent by the year's end, while many other economists predict it to hit close to 10 percent. The interview comes at a time when taxpayers are becoming increasingly more angry about the continued use of money for financial bailouts in which billions have been invested to aid troubled financial institutions.

Compiled by Mike Zurn

Rome is Burning



Mike Zurn

World News Editor

Supporting the troops

Over Spring Break, I had the opportunity to do absolutely nothing. However, after an intense and forgetful night with a visiting roommate and friend in downtown Erie, Pa., I watched the movie "In the Valley of Elah" for the second time. If you have not seen this movie, I recommend you do.

It accounts a frightening and sad reality occurring within the United States military, specifically affecting troops who have served in Iraq. Many of these young men and women become embattled after serving and experience post-traumatic stress disorder when they return home. The military blatantly ignores this growing problem due to a substantial demand for boots on the ground.

To be fair, military leaders are dealing with an array of difficulties that cannot be underestimated. Nevertheless, atrocities committed by returning troops must be dealt with effectively and cannot be overlooked. Some have trouble distinguishing friend and foe, and in extreme cases, commit heinous crimes. They take on violent actions that can result in the murder of loved ones and fellow troops. Others sometimes commit suicide because of their disorder.

One such case that I became informed of is the one surrounding Army Specialist Richard Davis, also the inspiration behind "In the Valley of Elah." Davis fought in some of the fiercest battles in Iraq and returned home in 2003. After returning, the young man was brutally murdered by four fellow squad members and his body was left burning in the woods.

Whatever your feelings about the war, the brave men and women who serve our country never deserve such treatment. In fact, these men and women should only be admired, honored and respected. But serving in such complex and prolonged conflicts requires that soldiers have access to treatment and assistance to deal with any mental disorders stemming from military service.

These disorders are, in effect, plaguing the military and have caused immense difficulties for too many individuals. Situations like Davis' and Abu Gharib can never be tolerated and mandate government investment into prevention methods. This means allocating whatever resources necessary to help our troops cope with the stresses of war.

Emphatically educating and preparing these troops is essential to succeeding in Iraq and in the war against terror. Moreover, the president and Congress must press for fair investigations within the military to avoid further pain and suffering. Otherwise, the military will continue lowering its standards for enlistment to meet recruiting goals. This places our brave soldiers in greater danger and makes failure inevitable.

Dealing with the realities of war is already enough to expect of troops. Expecting them to deal with additional dangers cannot and should not be acceptable. These brave men and women deserve only the best available people, programs and treatments. It is our duty to provide this. They give so much for this country; it is only fair that we return the favor.

Please visit www.richarddavisforpeace.and sign the petition to investigate the increased murders of troops, because these soldiers deserve more.

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Deadly shootings leave many mourning

Meghan Wolf
Staff Reporter

Tragedy befell the Albertville Secondary School in Winnenden, Germany last Wednesday, when a masked intruder entered and went on a shooting rampage. The incident, which left 16 dead and many others injured, was similar to the Columbine High School shooting that took place in Colorado ten years ago.

The killer, identified as Tim Kretschmer, was a 17-year-old former student at Albertville. He arrived there at approximately 9:30 a.m. on March 11, clad in black combat gear. He then opened fire on people in classrooms, killing nine students and three teachers.

Students reported hearing bangs, which were the shots being fired by the student. Teachers were eventually able to inform one another that a gunman was loose in the school and were told to get out and go to the swimming pool.

Others attempted to head for safety by jumping out the windows, and many were injured in the process. The scene was soon flooded with police cars and ambulances, but Kretschmer escaped the school, shooting a passer-by as he fled, according to reports.

From there, he hijacked a car and fled to the town of Wendlingen, 25 miles away. After breaking into an industrial estate, he killed two more people in a car showroom.

When officers showed up at the showroom, they exchanged gunfire with Kretschmer and hit him in the leg.

He ran from the officers and was later tracked down in a dead-end street, where it was found that he had been killed by a gunshot wound to the head. It was not known whether one of the officers had killed him or whether he had killed himself.

One of the motives for the killings was said to be misogyny, clued by the fact that eight of the nine students killed were female. Later reports found Kretschmer did not make friends easily, had trouble with teachers, and that he was unable to get a girlfriend.

The questions that popped up afterward

had not only to do with the motives for Kretschmer's shooting rampage, but also his means. It was found that his father owned a considerable supply of weapons, from which Kretschmer had borrowed.

On the same day as the German tragedy, multiple shootings occurred in Alabama when another disgruntled man started a rampage that killed ten people. It was the deadliest in the state's history.

Michael McLendon, 28, was armed with two military assault rifles, a handgun and shotgun when he began his shooting spree, starting with members of his own family. The incident left his mother, grandmother, uncle and two cousins all dead.

The shooting was finally brought to an end after a 12-mile car chase and gun battle. McLendon ended up turning the gun on himself.

Unlike Germany's shooting, the motive in Alabama was more clear. McLendon intended on getting back at people he believed wronged him.

Authorities later found a list with names of the people the man was planning to kill. However, none of those on the list were killed.

Andreas Sobisch, director of the Center for Global Education at John Carroll University, said the Albertville tragedy will likely affect upcoming firearm legislation. However, Alabama has some of the most lax gun laws in the United States and is unlikely to change.

"Gun laws are much stricter in Germany than in the United States," said Sobisch, who pointed out a connection between the Albertville and Columbine shootings.

"They will almost certainly try to make the laws even stricter than they already are,"



AP Image

A young girl is seen standing at a vigil in front of the Germany school where last Wednesday's shootings took place.

he said.

Sobisch said that the sale of personal weapons is strictly regulated in Germany, and the motives for buying them would have to be deemed "reasonable."

The massacre that took the lives of 16, including the shooter himself, is the deadliest shooting rampage the country has seen since 2002.

That year, an expelled former student wrought havoc in a Gutenberg school in Erfurt. The shooter there had killed 17 people besides himself.

New plan unveiled to aid small businesses

The Associated Press

WASHINGTON (AP) — President Barack Obama freed billions of dollars to help the nation's small businesses on Monday, hoping to get credit flowing again to Main Street as well as Wall Street and showering praise on the little guys of American industry who have been complaining about being left out of rescue efforts.

The centerpiece of Obama's latest plan will allow the government to spend up to \$15 billion to buy the small-business loans that are now choking community banks and lenders. That, in turn, could allow those banks to start lending money again to small companies to invest, pay bills and stay afloat.

Obama's effort was, at one level, fundamental to helping the economy rebound. Small businesses have created about 70 percent of the new jobs over the past decade, and as their credit lines have dried up, so has their ability to thrive or survive.

There was also a political component to all the attention the president gave to small businesses. The White House is aware of the nation's bailout fatigue; hundreds of billions of taxpayer dollars have gone to prop up financial giants who made poor decisions, while many others who have done no wrong have paid the price.

He said small businesses "are the heart of the American economy" and "the heart of the American dream" and the core of "America's story."

Meanwhile, the president pledged to try

to stop American International Group, the bailed-out insurance giant, from paying \$165 million in executive bonuses. The revelation of that bonus pay, coming from a struggling company that has received more than \$170 billion in federal rescue dollars, has evoked disgust.

He directed Treasury Secretary Timothy Geithner to pursue every legal means to block the bonuses. But it was unclear how or whether that would happen.

Obama's primary focus was on leaders of small companies and community lenders. He met with some privately in the White House's Roosevelt Room and cited their stories as inspiration as he announced his details in the East Room.

Normally, primary bank lenders can issue loans to small businesses and then sell those loans to what's known as a secondary market of bigger bankers. The sales allow the community lenders to make even more loans and keep the credit cycle going. But that isn't happening. Skittish investors have been staying away.

So under Obama's plan, the government will start buying up many of the loans directly, with terms to be worked out as soon as the end of the month. The \$15 billion will come from a bailout plan already approved by Congress to rescue the financial sector. Obama aides say the plan will offer fast, direct help.

On Capitol Hill, House Republican Leader John Boehner was unmoved. He called Obama's White House event "simply an attempt to provide political cover for the job-

killing burden the president's budget would place on our nation's small businesses." The House Republican whip, Eric Cantor of Virginia, said Obama's plan was welcome, but he predicted it would affect only a small portion of the loan market for small businesses, leaving others and their workers "in the cold."

Two months into office, Obama's job approval rating is at 61 percent, new Gallup polling finds. That number has been relatively stable so far this month but has dropped from the 68 percent when he took office. The major factor has been a decline in support among Republicans, from 41 percent to 26 percent.

A separate poll out Monday by the Pew Research Center put Obama's approval at 59 percent, slipping from 64 percent last month. The Pew poll found that a growing number of Americans see him as listening more to the liberals than to the moderates in the Democratic Party.

The White House unveiled a series of other steps to help lenders, including bigger lending guarantees, reduced fees and quicker turnaround times for loans.

Geithner made a blunt appeal to banks to start lending to businesses again. He said the danger now is that banks are taking too little risk, not too much.

"You banks need to make the extra effort to make sure that good loans are getting to creditworthy small businesses, in order to serve the larger public good," Geithner said. "And given that role that many banks played in causing this crisis, you bear a special responsibility for helping America get out of it."

THE NIGHT LIFE ON WEEKNIGHTS

Students stay up to do homework and study, but is getting more sleep actually a better method to retain information?

Bob Seeholzer
Features Editor

College students are notorious for staying up late trying to balance their busy schedules. It seems like there is never enough time in the day to get everything done and find time for sleep.

John Carroll University is no exception to this phenomenon, as students often sacrifice sleep in order to finish all of their responsibilities. You can find plenty of people in the library all the way until closing time, and there are always a couple of students getting their reading done outside the Inn Between even after night has become morning.

Junior Aaron Yantko is the quintessential example of the sleep-deprived student. He's used to staying up all night to do homework multiple times in one week. "Pulling all-nighters has become second nature at this point," he said.

Yantko is well-practiced at the all-nighter, but he recognizes that it can't be done without caution.

"Not sleeping for 24 hours is like giving blood," he said. "You can do it more than once, but there are rules you need to follow, otherwise you'll crash."

Janet Larsen, chair of the Psychology Department, agrees there are negative effects to skipping sleep. Besides making a student less

able to perform well in class due to tiredness, not getting sleep can actually affect how well you retain information learned in class and while studying.

"You learn and remember better when rested," she said. "There is research that strongly suggests that consolidation of learning happens during sleep."

Yantko said he ends up staying up so late because he procrastinates with his homework. "If I start working on homework that would keep me up until 3 a.m. anyway, and I have an 8 a.m. class, then I just stay up. I don't trust myself to wake up to my alarm at that point," he said.

His late night habits have caused him to sleep through his alarm a few times in the past, and he has ended up missing class after going to sleep early in the morning. "Fear has become a motivator," he said.

While that method has worked for Yantko, Larsen counters that some sleep is better than no sleep.

"Sleep is very useful for the brain; there are chemical things going on during sleep that need to happen. Getting enough sleep is an important aspect of being a successful student," she said.

She added that research suggests those who get more sleep have better memories and are better at more complex tasks.

Yantko says that he drinks 5-Hour Energy

and double shot espressos, especially when studying or working on something that doesn't interest him.

"Study breaks help, but you need to do something that you like during them, for me it's playing video games."

Yantko said he makes up for his all-nighters by sleeping-in on the weekend.

"I usually catch up on sleep missed during the week by getting more sleep on Saturday. I'll sleep until the afternoon sometimes," he said.

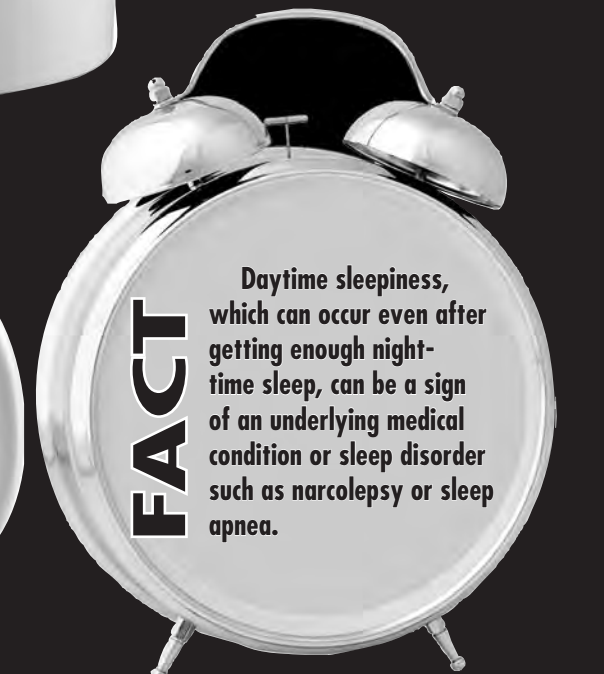
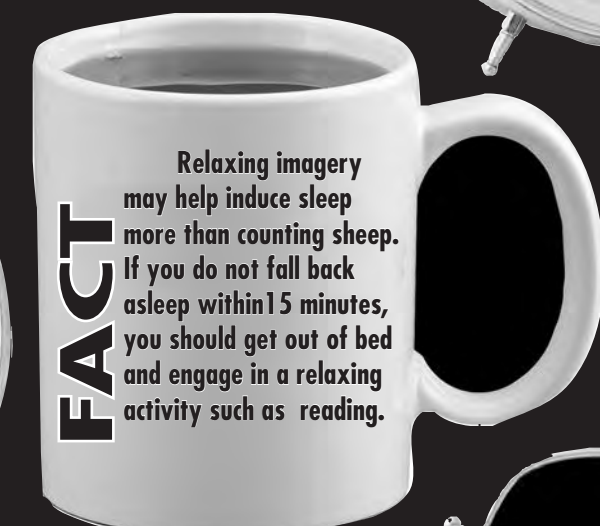
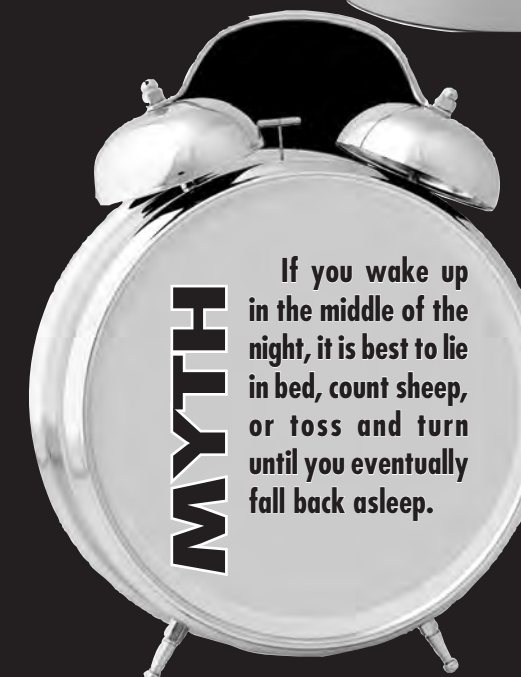
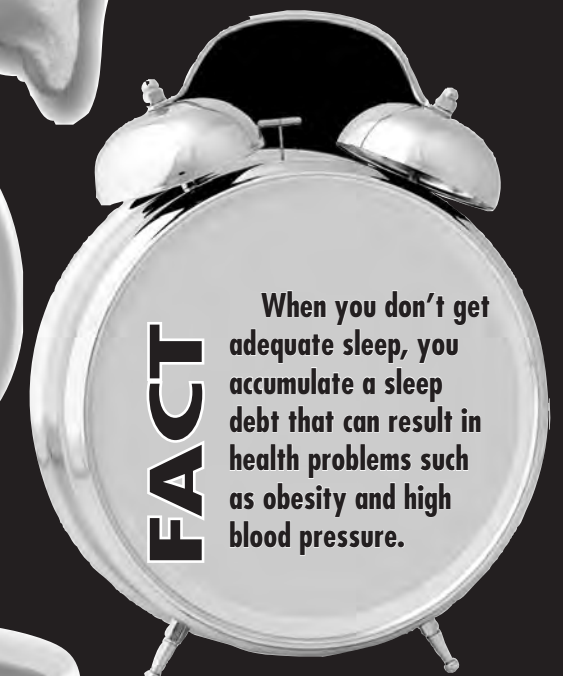
While he knows that it may not be the best thing for his body, Yantko said that his method works for him.

Larsen, however, pointed out that maintaining a stable pattern of sleep is much better than getting an inconsistent number of hours.

"You're much better off having a regular pattern of sleep. Making up for it on the weekend just means that you're not getting enough sleep during the week," she said. "If you can't wake up without an alarm clock, then you're not getting enough sleep."

Students might find it hard to change their routines and stick to a consistent sleep schedule, but the evidence shows that it will benefit learning in the long run.

When deciding whether or not to stay up and cram for that test, you should sleep on it.



FROM SOME OF THE
NIGHT OWLS
THEMSELVES



"I don't go to bed until sometime between 1 and 3 a.m. I'm an English major so I stay up reading and writing papers a lot, but sometimes I stay up for no reason at all. I don't drink coffee, but I do listen to peppy music."
-Katie Ratajczak, freshman



"I'll be up until 2 or 3 a.m. usually. Some of the time I'm doing homework, but other nights I'll just be online or listening to music and not want to go to bed."
-Jason Monaco, junior



"I stay up until at least 4 a.m. on most nights, but sometimes I don't go to sleep until 7 a.m. Usually it's because of homework and procrastination."
-Britney Graham, freshman

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Pools cause real 'Madness'



Matt Mihalich
Staff Reporter

No, I do not want to get in on your bracket.

The NCAA Tournament is the time of year when college basketball teams realize their "one shining moment" before thrilled fans and the students lucky enough to skip class to see their team survive and advance.

Sadly, though, this event doesn't only bring out the Cinderella's, but also those people who depreciate all of the games and make you wish you never even saw a bracket before.

Here's one: the kid running the show.

"Five bucks. You could win like \$400 just fill out the bracket." Give him your money, you'll never see it again. You know who he is. Last year he filled out three brackets and submitted them – to himself – and came in first, second and fourth. He swears to God he didn't cheat.

But kid, didn't I pick all four teams in the Final Four and the national champion? I called that one seed going out early and that ten seed in the Elite Eight, right?

Now it's fine to get involved in these pools – it is fun and adds a little more to the games. But the worst March Madness foe to look out for is the one who thinks he's an expert. He watched the second half of Duke versus North Carolina game in February, caught a little bit of the season highlights on SportsCenter, maybe even knows a kid from high school who plays Division I basketball. Don't worry though, he picked the perfect bracket.

Little news flash – out of all 63 games, about 40 of them don't go the way they were supposed to. Since the beginning of the tradition, the only guarantee is parody. So that bracket that you carry with you everywhere you go can stay in your pocket – I don't care.

How about that aunt of yours that always walks away from the office pool with \$600? I gave up on filling out brackets a few years ago. No matter how much I compared line-ups and schedules and tried picking teams, I can never, EVER, beat this lady. I lost my chance at \$40 because some lady liked Maryland's mascot more than Kentucky's.

Don't get me wrong, it's sports at its best – cheers and tears, road-tripping fans, mid-major coaches pouring their souls into the slightest chance of winning a game, and for all of them something pays off.

It's so easy to enjoy, I could never desecrate it with my bold and incredibly wrong predictions. Like I said, it will never go according to plan.

Between George Mason going to the Final Four, the kid running the bracket who fills his teams out in pencil, the lady at the office who thinks Blake Griffin is the Irish kid down the street, and Jay Bilas, Jr. who thinks he picked every single game, leave me out of your pool.

Magical season comes to an end

Blue Streaks record-setting season ended by Guilford in Sweet 16

Charlie Duggan
Staff Reporter

The John Carroll University men's basketball team's historic season came to a bittersweet end Friday night. The Blue Streaks fell to Guilford College 78-73 before a sold-out DeCarlo Varsity Center in the Sweet Sixteen of the NCAA Division III Tournament.

The loss snapped a 21-game winning streak, the longest by any team in JCU history. It was also the first home loss of the season for the Blue Streaks.

Although the loss signaled the end of this season, JCU players were not totally crushed by the defeat, realizing that they had an extremely talented team and they'll be a force to be dealt with in the near future.

"With all the guys we have coming back next year, we'll have the ability to potentially go further next year, but we'll never win 21 games in a row," said junior Rudy Kirbus.

Prior to the NCAA tournament, JCU captured the Ohio Athletic Conference regular season and conference tournament championships.

JCU knocked off Capital University over Spring Break, avenging one of their two OAC losses, to capture the tournament crown. The victory was a thriller with the Blue Streaks coming from behind.

Kirbus, who had struggled from long range all game, hit a go-ahead shot from his favorite spot on the court without hesitation, giving JCU an 87-85 lead in the game's final seconds.

After a missed Crusader shot, Kirbus made it a two-possession game, making free-throws with just 19 seconds left. Capital would score again, but still come up short as JCU won 90-87, capturing their first conference tournament championship since 2004.

Junior point guard Chris Zajac was named to the all-tournament team and sophomore Maurice Haynes was named tournament Most Valuable Player. The win gave the Blue Streaks an automatic bid for the NCAA tournament and a No.



Photos by Bob Seeholzer

Freshman Matt Crozier was an excellent surprise for coach Moran and the Blue Streaks. He came off the bench in all 30 games to average 8.5 points and a team-best 5.7 rebounds per game.

1 seed for their region.

The Blue Streaks tipped off the NCAA Tournament against Medaille College from New York.

Medaille wasn't the best team, but they played hard and refused to let JCU put them away for good. The Blue Streaks turned to their freshmen, for some help in the scoring column.

With Haynes in foul trouble, freshman center Matt Crozier stepped up with 19 points and ten rebounds. Freshman point guard Corey Shontz added 14 points while committing zero turnovers.

Haynes, Kirbus and Zajac backed up the efforts with 11, 13 and 12 points, respectively. JCU held on for a 90-79 victory and advanced to the second round with a chance to avenge an early season loss.

The Carnegie Mellon Tartans of Pittsburgh, Pa. had already defeated JCU back in November, 81-79. CMU was highly ranked in the nation at the time and it was a game in which many Blue Streaks felt they realized they had a bit more potential than they may have predicted prior to the season.

The Blue Streaks had a lead halfway through the second half, but in those final ten minutes, the

JCU offense went completely cold as they scored just 11 points the rest of the way and the Tartans would claw their way back into it.

CMU point guard Corey O'Rourke was fouled on a drive with just 15 seconds remaining and he stepped to the line and knocked down both attempts to tie the game at 74.

JCU head coach Mike Moran elected not to call a timeout and Zajac brought the ball down looking to get it into the hands of Kirbus for the last shot. After a dribble-handoff, Kirbus drove toward the hoop but was stopped by two Tartan defenders and forced to kick it back out to Zajac.

With just seconds left, Zajac drove left from the top of the key, stopped, faded back releasing the ball over two defenders and sent it through the nylon with just three-tenths of a second showing on the clock, sending the Blue Streaks to the Sweet 16 for the second time in three years.

JCU was then faced with Guilford College from Greensboro, N.C. in the Sweet 16.

Although most basketball fans were hoping for a rematch in the Elite Eight between JCU and Capi-

tal for the right to play in the Final Four in Salem, Va., fate would have it a different way as both teams had their season end hours apart on the same floor.

Things got off to a good start when junior Tyler Kirsch hit two three pointers off the bat and Haynes made his first three shot attempts and JCU grabbed a 17-13 lead.

However, that would be as sweet as the round of 16 would be for the No. 10 team in the nation. Guilford went on an 11-0 run from there and JCU would never get the lead back. After falling behind by as many as 14, JCU came back in the second half and refused to go away.

However, every time it seemed like JCU was about to regain control of the game, Guilford would respond with a jumper in the lane or a layup by six-foot-ten center Tyler Sanborn.

Junior Brian Dandrea's three-pointer with 19 seconds left made it a two-point game, but Guilford would make all their free throw attempts en route to ending an unforgettable Blue Streaks season.

Guilford was led by Sanborn's 23 points and 19 rebounds along with 21 points from point guard Rhett Bonner. JCU had four players in double figures, with Kirsch leading the way with 14, Shontz with 12, and Haynes and Crozier with 10 each.

In a locker room filled with disappointment and sadness after the game, Moran perhaps threw out the best word to describe this team.

"You guys are overachievers, all of you," he said.

For a team that had only three returning players who had seen significant playing time in their careers and dressed six freshmen for every game, overachievers is the perfect word to describe the OAC champions, winners of 21 straight games, a top-ten national ranking, and a trip to the Sweet 16.

JCU will again make a run at the national title next season. Other than senior Alex Koltsov, the entire roster will be back intact.

"Alex's leadership and what he meant to this team cannot be emphasized enough," said Dandrea. "It's not something that can be replaced."

STREAKS OF THE SEASON



Rudy Kirbus
junior
forward
14.8 ppg
5 rpg



Maurice Haynes
sophomore
forward
12.4 ppg
5.4 rpg



Chris Zajac
junior
guard
8.5 ppg
3.3 apg

JCU Baseball Preview 2009

JCU Projected Line Up		
4	Krainz	CF
	Bats: R Throws: R	
2	Carbo	2B
	Bats: R Throws: R	
29	Benander	3B
	Bats: R Throws: R	
31	Toth	DH
	Bats: R Throws: R	
16	Hickey	1B
	Bats: L Throws: L	
9	Pangallo	RF
	Bats: R Throws: R	
24	O'Brien	LF
	Bats: L Throws: R	
33	Cairo	C
	Bats: R Throws: R	
14	Hastings	SS
	Bats: R Throws: R	

Tim Ertle
Sports Editor

After coming up a game short of qualifying for the four-team Ohio Athletic Conference Tournament last season, it's clear the John Carroll University baseball team has every intention of qualifying for this year's tournament.

"That's our No. 1 goal," said senior Michael Krainz. "In my four years we haven't made it, but I really think this year's team is capable of doing that."

The 2008 team, featuring All-OAC outfielders Ryan Lewis and Sean McCarthy, finished 10-8 in the OAC. Lewis and McCarthy, as well as Matt Fort, Brandon Kurtz and Marty Smith, three staples of the pitching staff over the past few seasons, have all graduated.

With graduation, as is the case

each year, new players have to step up.

So far, JCU head coach Marc Thibeault has seen a quartet of senior hitters rise to the challenge and lead this year's squad.

Seniors Chris Cairo, Michael Krainz, Matthew Pangallo and Russell Toth led the explosive offensive attack on the annual Spring Break trip that saw the Blue Streaks go 8-1.

All four of those seniors hit at least .360 in 30 or more at-bats in Port Charlotte, Fla.

A senior led the pitching staff as well on the trip. Paul O'Donnell showed the way by covering 15 innings and allowing just one run to score. He was 1-0 with an ERA of 0.60 in his first two starts.

If the Spring Break trip is any indication of how things will go this season, the Blue Streaks should be

in good shape.

The pitching staff was terrific, posting an ERA of 3.33 in the nine-game span.

The offense provided more than enough juice, scoring 88 runs. In each of the first nine games, the Blue Streaks scored at least five runs.

In addition to the superb efforts of the seniors, JCU was the beneficiary of .300-plus averages from starters like freshman Tom Hickey and junior Tim O'Brien.

Sophomore shortstop John Hastings, after hitting .303 in his freshman campaign, should shine on the left side of the infield, joined by classmate Brian Benander who hit .297 on the Florida trip.

Junior Bryan Robinett, a career .297 hitter, should see time in the outfield and at first base.

On the mound, sophomores Tony Evanko and Tom Schaberl can be

expected to produce in the starting rotation.

Evanko struggled on the trip, but his 6-1 record and 1.70 ERA last season that earned him second-team All-OAC honors showed what he is capable of at this level.

The bullpen was phenomenal in Florida as sophomore Conor Connell and junior Adam Jenkins both pitched five and two-thirds innings and neither allowed a run. Junior Chris Koller made three appearances to post a record of 1-0 and an ERA of 1.93.

Sophomores Michael Eden, John Moonan and Cory Tilden, as well as freshmen Joe Bossard and Chris Eggleton should help bolster the pitching staff.

The Blue Streaks are 1-2 since returning from their trip, but figure to be a force to be reckoned with in the OAC.



Tim O'Brien
junior
outfield
2009: .314 BA, 12 RBI
2008: .333 BA, 7 runs



Michael Krainz
senior
outfield/infield
2009: .362 BA, 13 runs
2008: .367 BA, 28 RBI



Matthew Pangallo
senior
outfield
2009: .327 BA, 9 RBI
2008: .281 BA, 20 runs



Brian Benander
sophomore
third base
2009: .277, 16 runs
2008: N/A



John Hastings
sophomore
shortstop
2009: Injured
2008: .303 BA, 24 runs



Paul O'Donnell
senior
pitcher
2009: 2-0, 1.35 ERA
2008: 4-2, 3.80 ERA



Mike Carbo
junior
second base
2009: .327, 9 RBI
2008: .275 BA, 19 RBI



Tom Hickey
freshman
first base
2009: .377 BA, 18 RBI
2008: N/A



Russell Toth
senior
catcher/designated hitter
2009: .314, 11 RBI
2008: .226 BA, 10 RBI



Chris Cairo
senior
catcher
2009: .385, BA 7 runs
2008: .267 BA, 13 RBI

Other probable starters:
Tony Evanko
Tom Schaberl

JCU '09 baseball home games:

3.21	Capital	1 p.m.
4.4	Marietta	1 p.m.
4.7	Case Western	4 p.m.
4.11	Ohio Northern	1 p.m.
4.14	Otterbein	1 p.m.
4.18	Wilmington	1 p.m.
4.22	Ohio Wesleyan	4 p.m.
4.28	Oberlin	4 p.m.
4.30	Wooster	4 p.m.
5.2	Heidelberg	1 p.m.

* Game times subject to change as a result of weather.

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JCU Softball Preview 2009

Tim Ertle
Sports Editor

Last year, head coach Erin Kingsbury’s team ended the season with a 17-21 record. This year, with a month and a half left in the season, the team is already over halfway to matching their 2008 win total.

In their ten-game trip to Clermont, Fla. over Spring Break, John Carroll University ran their record to 9-1 and earned to a No. 14 national ranking.

Good things will happen when you score eight runs per game. The pitching was phenomenal too, holding the opponent to one run or less in seven of their first ten games, including five shutouts.

Of those five shutouts, freshman pitcher Brittany Danilov has recorded three of them.

Danilov is a welcomed addition

to a pitching staff that lost Ashley Lippert to graduation, who appeared in 24 games last year.

Danilov, as well as fellow freshman Lauren Beatty, will join juniors Laura Boselovic and Sam Thompson as viable pitching options.

On the Spring Break trip, Danilov appeared in eight games and received a victory in six of them. Her lone loss came in a relief appearance, a game in which coach Kingsbury took partial blame for by admitting she may have put her freshman pitcher in a less than ideal situation.

Thompson is 2-0 and Beatty 1-0, both due in large part to good control and impressive strikeout-to-walk ratios.

Offensively, the club will be led by senior catcher Jamie Smrdel.

Smrdel, the lone Blue Streak to garner 2008 All-OAC recogni-

tion by earning honorable mention status, already owned the school record for home runs in a career before even playing a game during her senior season.

She has gotten off to a hot start in 2009, hitting .655, with one homer and 13 RBI already to her name through the first ten games of the season.

Freshman Erin Riccardi has been a pleasant surprise in the early going. She started in her first ten collegiate games and didn’t disappoint, hitting .485 and leading the team in runs scored with 15.

First baseman Boselovic, shortstop Thompson and sophomore second baseman Angela Vistocco fill out the usual starting infield.

Thompson and Boselovic rank second and third, respectively, as returning RBI leaders from a season ago, while Vistocco has hit .346 in

the team’s first ten games.

The outfield features junior center fielder and leadoff hitter Julie Marlowe as well as senior outfielder Jenny Eden in right field. For the time being, freshman Michelle Murphy and senior Tricia Kuenzig are rotating in left field.

Kuenzig is second on the team in runs scored with 11, and Marlowe and Murphy are tied for third with nine.

Eden, who drove in six runs last season, already has a homer and seven RBI this year.

Sophomores Jamie Colley and Denya Fanelli, as well as freshman Olivia Matthews, are expected to contribute this year as well.

On a team that has much improved depth from recent years and rock solid pitching that can be relied on, expectations this year are extremely high.

JCU Projected Line Up

11	Marlowe	CF
22	Murphy	LF
16	Riccardi	3B
19	Smrdel	C
17	Eden	RF
8	Thompson	SS
18	Boselovic	1B
5	Danilov	P
3	Vistocco	2B
	Subs:	
6	Matthews	IF
7	Fanelli	C
9	Beatty	P
11	Colley	OF
12	Cotton	C
21	Knox	1B
24	Kuenzig	OF



Julie Marlowe
junior
outfield/third base
2009: .382 BA, 9 runs
2008: .333 BA, 27 runs



Jenny Eden
senior
outfield
2009: .278 BA, 7 RBI
2008: .273 BA, 6 RBI



Michelle Murphy
freshman
outfield
2009: .263 BA, 9 runs
2008: N/A



Sam Thompson
junior
shortstop
2009: .345 BA, 11 RBI
2008: .210 BA, 18 RBI



Angela Vistocco
sophomore
second base
2009: .346 BA, 8 runs
2008: .152 BA, 6 runs



Laura Boselovic
junior
first base
2009: .304 BA, 3 RBI
2008: .271 BA, 13 RBI



Erin Riccardi
freshman
third base
2009: .485 BA, 15 runs
2008: N/A



Brittany Danilov
freshman
pitcher
2009: 6-1, 1.37 ERA
2008: N/A



Jamie Smrdel
senior
catcher
2009: .655 BA, 13 RBI
2008: .423 BA, 29 RBI

JCU ‘09 softball home games:

3.25	Notre Dame	3:30 p.m.
3.28	Otterbein	1 p.m.
4.7	Heidelberg	3:30 p.m.
4.14	Wooster	3:30 p.m.
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Editorial

Faculty input essential

Troubling economic times call for complicated budget cuts and painful setbacks. John Carroll University has proposed budget cuts that affect faculty, staff and students. Some of the new proposals include slashing the number of hours required to graduate and a new marketing campaign to “guarantee graduation.”

Before any decisions are made, the University must work in close consultation with faculty. We urge the administration to consider their input and opinion in every financial decision made toward the ongoing budget cuts, the new marketing plan and reducing required graduation hours. With long-term systemic impacts in the classroom, faculty members are in the position to speak for or against any proposals that may adversely affect academic value.

A JCU degree is highly valued and sought after by employers both locally and nationally. Marketing graduation from JCU as “guaranteed” does no service to current students and alumni as it trivializes the value of the degree, brands it as arbitrary and definite, and gives the impression that limited work is required.

Such an advertising campaign is typical of online and proprietary schools that do not enjoy the academic prestige and quality of a Jesuit institution.

Another cost-saving proposal is to eliminate classes and increase class sizes. But many students choose JCU for its small classes and emphasis on individual attention. Decreased value on personal attention may turn away prospective students and harm the educational value current students enjoy.

Financial problems are difficult, controversial and often contentious. The economy isn’t what it used to be and budget decisions can be tough. We can emerge from this crisis strong without sacrificing academic integrity and devaluing a JCU education; however, solutions must be evaluated in conference with faculty, as their impacts can be felt campus-wide.

Editorial

Ticket sales go online

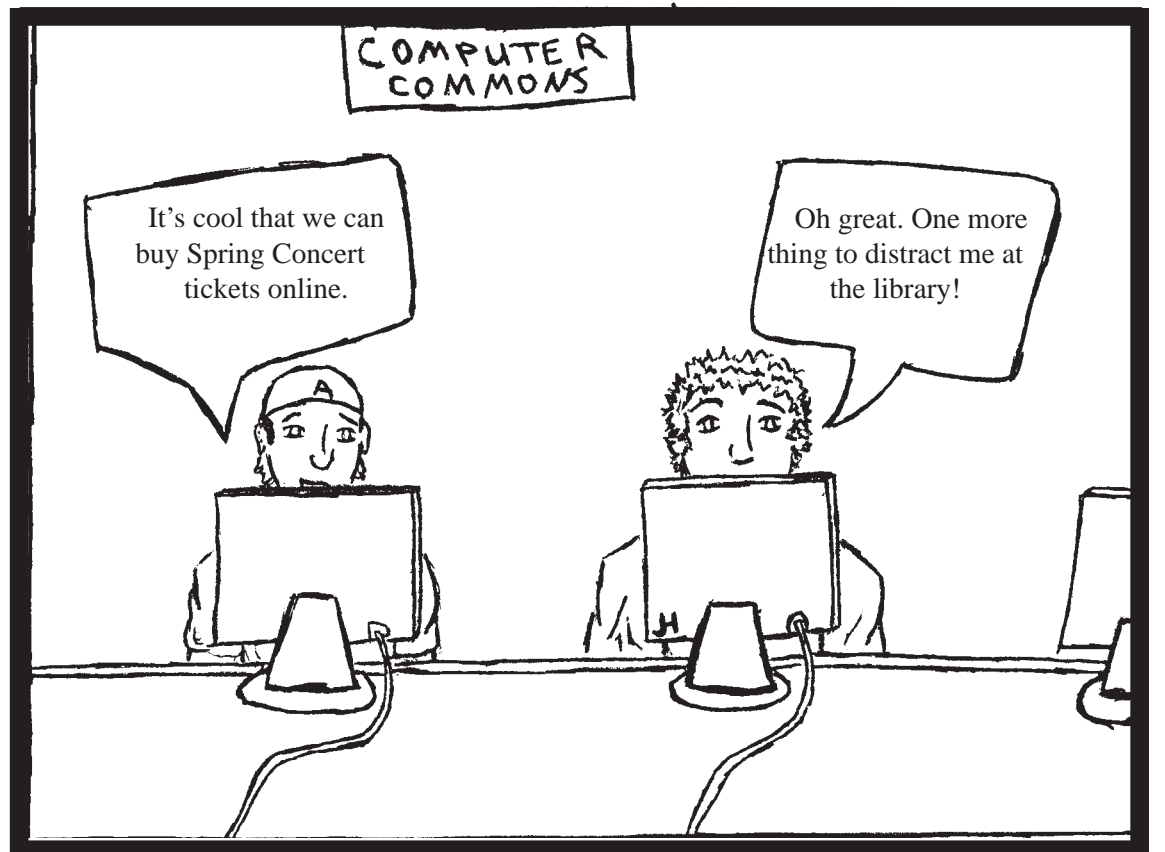
Buying tickets for JCU-sponsored events just became a whole lot easier. The Student Union Programming Board is now implementing an online process that allows students to simply log in to an online site and buy tickets to events.

Now through an Internet box office, University Tickets, students can buy tickets during any time of the day for events like concerts, speakers and theater shows. This can be done at the students’ own convenience. We applaud the SUPB for addressing and correcting this issue and believe this new method will diminish the problems plaguing ticket sales and attendance.

In the past, event tickets were typically sold in person at various on-campus locations during limited times. This method left many students unable to purchase tickets, either because the selling times were inconvenient or tickets quickly sold out. This especially affected off-campus students who were rarely able to get to ticket selling locations.

Additionally, the service also reduces the SUPB’s burden of finding people to staff various selling locations at certain times. This will allow the organization’s members to utilize time more efficiently.

And with this extra time, we hope the SUPB continues to dedicate itself in making events more accessible and finding the best possible ways to accommodate students.



Cartoon by Joe Hinkel

NOTABLE QUOTABLE



“As a matter of fact, people in white smocks in pharmacies with their medical degrees are a growing threat.”

-California Attorney General Jerry Brown, in response to the drug conspiracy involving Anna Nicole Smith’s attorney Howard K. Stern and two doctors. The three are accused of conspiring to furnish drugs to the late Playboy model right before she died.

HIT & miss

Hit: SUPB selling Spring Concert tickets online **Hit:** St. Patrick’s Day **Hit:** Free tickets to murder mystery dinner theater **miss:** JCU men’s basketball loses in the NCAA Sweet Sixteen Round **Hit:** One Acts start this weekend **miss:** Chris Brown and Rihanna record duet after charges were filed against him for assaulting her **Hit:** Cleveland Cavs win Central Division title **miss:** Charles Barkley going to jail **Hit:** Kappa Delta’s late night Shamrock breakfast this Sunday **miss:** JCU marketing a “graduation guarantee” **miss:** 100 people taken to hospital after carbon monoxide scare at JCU-sponsored hockey tournament at Gilmour Academy **miss:** Rioting in Ireland **Hit:** Celebration of Scholarship next week

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OURVIEW

On March 17, luck isn't just for the Irish



Kate McCall
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Every person has a favorite holiday. Some like Thanksgiving, some like Christmas. Others cannot wait for Easter or Passover.

Many college students would rank a certain holiday that we just celebrated as their favorite.

No, it's not March 16, which is Everything You Do Is Right Day (a day Andrew Rafferty would love), or March 15, Everything You Do Is Wrong Day (which I especially love), but March 17, St. Patrick's Day.

On this day, students across the country throw on their green clothes, paint their faces and wear hats that read, "Kiss Me, I'm Irish." Since the Indians, Cavs and Browns

have yet to win a championship in our lifetimes, it is also one of the only acceptable days in downtown Cleveland people can loiter on city streets and cheer for the motorcades and floats going down Superior Avenue.

As someone who has a wee bit of Irish blood running through her veins, I also enjoy the day dedicated to the patron saint of Ireland. Corned beef, red potatoes, the Cleveland St. Patrick's Day Parade and my Aunt Beth's special "potato candy" are all reasons I love St. Patrick's Day and being Irish.

But most importantly, being Irish means having the luck of the Irish. According to Edward O'Donnell, an associate professor of history at Holy Cross College, the phrase originated when many Irish immigrants and Irish Americans were among the first to successfully mine for gold and silver in the United States during the late 19th century. So the luck doesn't come directly from the motherland. Does that mean it is any less powerful?

To me, the luck of the Irish truly exists and is just as powerful as

if it came right from the Emerald Isle. Some get all the luck. A good example is Browns quarterback Brady Quinn.

Not only does he have Irish heritage, but he grew up in Dublin, Ohio, played football for the Dublin Coffman Shamrocks and then went on to lead the University of Notre Dame Fighting Irish in 2006 to its first BCS bowl game since its last Fiesta Bowl fiasco in 2001.

How much luck can one guy have?

Yes, the luck can run out – Quinn lost to Ohio State in his bowl appearance – but you get my point. The Irish are lucky people.

On St. Patrick's Day, everyone is Irish, and thus, everyone has all the luck.

I think St. Patrick would like that, especially since the man himself was of British descent. Although the holiday is over, it is never too early to start preparing for next year, or to start believing in the luck of the Irish.

I'm still hoping that Brady left a bit of his Irish luck somewhere in South Bend for Jimmy Clausen.

Lo Castro's Lowdown



Jenna Lo Castro
Editorial & Op/Ed Editor

Gettin' the word on:
Safety is compromised again at JCU

I tried really hard, but like Mike Moran during a hoops game, this column is about to get a little insane.

While I was planning on penning some capricious discourse on child beauty pageants, a story concerning Campus Safety Services presented itself and spoke to me in ways I just could not disregard.

During Spring Break last week, a John Carroll University student's sense of safety was demolished after CSS failed to correctly respond to a frantic request. A female senior was home alone at her University-owned house on Milford Road when a man knocked on her door and asked to come inside. Acting tense and demanding, the man insisted he be let into the house, explaining that he knew a girl who lived there.

After the student refused to meet the inquiry and shut the door, the man then proceeded to stand outside the house. Uneasy about the situation, the woman did what most students would probably do – call for help.

Not knowing the University Heights Police Department's phone number off the top of her head, she did the next best thing and called that familiar extension that has been seared into all our brains: Ext. 4600.

What ensued was an outrageous conversation between the student and the CSS dispatcher.

The girl asked if an officer could drive by to check on her and get the man off the property. I'd like to think that in this situation the dispatcher would have just sent over an officer to check on the girl; it was in the middle of the afternoon during Spring Break. How busy could they possibly be?

Apparently, pretty busy.

Instead, the dispatcher's reply to the young woman was something

along the lines of, "Why didn't you just call University Heights police?" After explaining that she was a John Carroll student living in a University-owned home and didn't have the UHPD number handy, the dispatcher again reiterated how she just "should have really called UHPD."

According to the young woman, about 15 minutes elapsed before CSS finally responded to her call. By then the man was gone, along with the student's faith in JCU's ability to protect its students. Regardless of the circumstances, CSS once again failed to be committed to student safety. It should not matter how miniscule a request is – dispatchers are supposed to treat all situations as if they were threatening.

When I asked CSS about this call, I was told that a log of what transpired between the young woman and the dispatcher was kept but not available to me because a supervisor was not on duty.

In a time when college girls continue to be a target of rape and murder, there is no room for indifference. I would think that after CSS' failed ability to respond correctly to a sexual misconduct incident in Dolan Hall last spring, methods and procedures would have been improved.

No, it is still dedicating its time and energy into making sure that all parking ticket violators are being brought to justice.

What is it going to take? Even though the young woman wasn't harmed, would she had to have been raped or assaulted for CSS to find it "appropriate" to respond?

I fear that unless people don't speak up and approach the appropriate administrators with their qualms, it's going to stay the same.

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That's what See said: The conundrum of the four seasons



Bob Seeholzer
Features Editor

One of my favorite things about college compared to high school is how early the Spring Semester ends. Getting out a month earlier than I did in high school is awesome.

I do, however, have an issue with it being called the "Spring" Semester when almost half of it occurs during winter.

When I hear "Spring Semester,"

I think of walking to class with the smell of fresh roses in the air, Frisbee being played on the Quad, and girls sunbathing outside of residence halls. Seeing as how that only occurs for about five weeks, I would say the Spring Semester is a misnomer.

The Fall Semester is more accurate but it still starts in summer and, despite the fact that the seasons change in late September, feels like summer until it starts snowing.

Another one of my favorite things about the college schedule is the length of Winter Break.

However, as Cleveland has taught me, even Winter Break is named wrong. I can go from wearing shorts one day to needing three coats and four pairs of mittens the next. You know the weather is

messed up when the average temperature during Winter Break was higher than during Spring Break.

There seems to be a problem with the way the academic year is broken up. They all have the wrong names, so let's fix them.

In honor of it officially becoming spring this weekend, I've taken the liberty of inventing some more time-appropriate titles for the different academic seasons.

If nothing else, these names will be more marketable than their predecessors.

First of all, Fall Semester will now be known as "Fresh Semester." It's the first semester for the new freshmen class and everyone else is excited to be back and see their friends. Not to mention the grounds

crew has been working for three months to make campus look and smell fresh (and they do a particularly nice job).

Fall Break will be retitled to "The Annual Friday Without Classes." No further explanation necessary.

Winter Break is getting changed to "Schizophrenic Period" due to its indecisiveness toward temperature stability. Hopefully Mother Nature will take it to see a shrink.

Spring Break will now be known as "Head South or be Discontent." Its alternate title, "Go somewhere warm and enjoy it because it will still be cold in Cleveland when you get back" just wasn't catchy enough.

Spring Semester will be renamed "The Progressive Movement" since

students are progressing toward many things at once: bachelor's degrees, warmer degrees, a break from school, summer school, etc.

Summer Break will be renamed "Awkward Silence." It would just be fun to hear people say things during finals week like "This test is all that stands between me and Awkward Silence!" or "Yeah! Awkward Silence '09!"

Those are just some ideas for more appropriate names for the academic seasons. They're all copyrighted, but if JCU wants to buy them off me we can discuss prices. I wonder if the Rev. Niehoff has a PayPal account.

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YOURVIEW

*Letter to the Editor***Lent is not for laughs**

Nick Skiviat
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To answer the ending question in Features editor Bob Seeholzer's "25 Lenten sacrifices" column in Feb. 26 issue of, "And in the end, isn't that faith in Jesus really what it's all about?" my response is absolutely not!

I do not understand how you can begin a column about Lent with the statement "I'm pretty much too lazy to do anything that makes just about any ambitious action fair game as a sacrifice of my time."

Lent is the time of year you break your lazy habits, not make Facebook lists with predestined failure. And that's what shocked me even more—you ended your column saying that before Lent even starts you know that just like "every other year" you will "fail to meet any of [your] sacrificial goals."

I understand and agree with your second meaning of Lenten sacrifices—instead of giving something up we can "do something extra that is

difficult to do." However, I need to tell you that you have completely missed the true meaning of Lent. The whole point of Lent is to grow closer to God.

The reason we make sacrifices is so that every time we have to stop ourselves from doing what we gave up, or to force ourselves to do that something extra, we think of Jesus.

And by the end of the 40 days, after we've made the sacrifices numerous times, we should end up with a stronger relationship with Jesus than we started with on Ash Wednesday.

Having said that, I would love to know how your "start hating koalas" sacrifice (No. 8) is going to deepen your relationship with God. First of all, you starting to do your homework is your job as a college student. Second of all, learning to be a better skater and breaking your childhood (or current) bond with the Disney Channel is not what Jesus had in mind when he suffered for 40 days alone in the desert. I will give you credit for sacrifices No. 1 and No. 9—restraining your judg-

ment of girls and donating money to malnourished children in Third World countries—but you lost my respect when you added Bruce Willis to your list.

Next year when you're deciding what to give up, take your own advice—don't get any ideas from Facebook.

Why don't you think of one sacrifice, instead of 25, that you'll actually try to carry through with for the entire season and that may have the potential of assisting your spiritual growth? Unless you're giving up Facebook for Lent, never again mix it with this significant spiritual season.

It's unfortunate that you were praying for more readers with a sense of humor, but maybe before you wrote an article demeaning Lent, you should have realized that JCU is a Catholic university.

And if you're Catholic, I hope that you would know the difference between Lenten sacrifices and New Year's resolutions. If you aren't Catholic, you have no business writing about such an important aspect of Catholicism.

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CAREER CORNER

If you're lost with what you want to do in life, why stay that way?

Cynthia Marco-Scanlon
Career Counselor
The Center for Career Services

Many undergraduate students I meet with at the Career Center say that they are "lost"—they don't know what to major in, how to choose a career path, how to get a job or what to do as a next step after graduation. I could go on and on with these statements, but you get the idea.

For some, it's comfortable to stay in the "lost" category—students don't want to work at becoming "unlost"—or to find direction. (I'm putting a positive spin on this!)

Some students love the fact that they can stay "lost" for a long time—an excuse used so they don't have to make decisions or do some self-work.

Yet working to become "unlost" is well worth the time commitment, especially by working with us at The

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Why?

Our goal is to see every John Carroll University student thrive from the time that you arrive here until graduation and beyond. We're here to help you answer those questions away from home, like: What are you going to A.) major in? B.) do with that major? and C.) do after graduation? (My own three college kids avoid their grandparents because of these annoying, never-ending questions.)

For the "lost" ones who don't have a major or know what career path is for them, our Career Education (CE111 and CE101) credit classes can help you with choosing a major and finding your passion.

For the "I don't know how to get a job" or the "I don't know what to do next" student, we have a great CE class (CE131) for those questions, too.

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self and make choices for your next move, whether it be a job, or looking at other alternatives like grad school, service work, etc.

And for those of you just "lost" and using the economy as an excuse not to do anything, we'll help you see that there are people hiring and jobs and internships out there.

We have companies that want our students and all majors, but you need to do some work.

We will assist you or, as I tell my students, we can be the "gentle" kick in the rear that you may need.

Site Selection Magazine, an economic development publication, ranked Ohio No. 1 for the third year running for winning more big projects than any other state. These projects have produced more jobs than any other state. Wow!

Top that with the fact that we do have a lot of resources that you can use. Just come over and we can help you lose the "I'm lost" excuse.

You're wrong, I'm Rafferty:



Andrew Rafferty
Editor in Chief

Clear the gym to support the Streaks

In fact, there were even a couple students who didn't have tickets but still found ways into the gym, or so I hear.

JCU essentially decided to make less money last weekend.

Now, I'm not an economist. One night I decided to buy 400 Sham-Wows with the idea I could sell them for profit on eBay. I am \$8,000 in debt because of that decision, but I am making some of it back with my underground Snuggie business.

But, even I know that when you take something in demand and you give it away for free, you are making a bad business decision.

Please, let me illustrate this with an example. Let's say, for the sake of argument, you had a basketball game that a lot of students wanted to go to because one of the teams was playing at home in the Sweet 16 of the NCAA tournament. Now let's say you decided to give people a 2-for-1 deal on tickets to the game, even though there were people willing to pay for both games.

That is stupid.

Luckily and predictably, most fans from the first game left. That was great because as the angry Capital fans lamented a loss while walking to their cars, they were met by Carroll students asking, "Do you have a ticket from the game?" and the follow-up, "Really? Because you just came from the game and I find it hard to believe that you don't have a ticket."

Some members of the athletic department certainly had the foresight to understand that opportunities like the one Friday come along rarely. If I'm in charge of tickets, I'm doing everything possible to make sure the DeCarlo Center is packed to the brim with JCU students.

Let's hope in the future, the most experienced members of the athletic department are given the most say in these types of decisions.

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